

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>34</sup>

**J. Matthew DeLesDernier,**  
Assistant Secretary.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[License No. 02/02-0695]

### QS Capital Strategies II, L.P.; Notice Seeking Exemption Under Section 312 of the Small Business Investment Act, Conflicts of Interest

Notice is hereby given that QS Capital Strategies II, L.P., 527 Madison Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10022, a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended (“the Act”), in connection with the financing of a small concerns, has sought an exemption under Section 312 of the Act and Section 107.730, Financings which Constitute Conflicts of Interest of the Small Business Administration (“SBA”) Rules and Regulations (13 CFR 107.730). QS Capital Strategies II, L.P. is proposing to provide financing to BrandMuscle, Inc. to support the Company’s growth.

The proposed transaction is brought within the purview of § 107.730 of the Regulations because QS Capital Strategies, L.P., an Associate of QS Capital Strategies II, L.P., by virtue of Common Control as defined at § 107.50, holds a debt investment in BrandMuscle, Inc. and the proposed transaction would discharge an obligation to an Associate.

Therefore, the proposed transaction is considered self-deal pursuant to 13 CFR 107.730 and requires a regulatory exemption. Notice is hereby given that any interested person may submit written comments on the transaction within fifteen days of the date of this publication to Associate Administrator for Investment, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street SW, Washington, DC 20416.

**Thomas Morris,**

Acting Associate Administrator, Director,  
Office of SBIC Liquidation, Office of  
Investment and Innovation.

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36519]

### Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC—Lease and Operation Exemption—Rail Line of Harrison County Development Commission at or Near Gulfport, Harrison County, MS

Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC (GSIR), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to lease from the Harrison County Development Commission, acting with the Harrison County Board of Supervisors (the County), and operate approximately five miles of industrial lead tracks known as the Seaway Lead, extending between a point approximately 800 feet east of U.S. Highway 49 on the Seaway Lead and the end of the Seaway Lead at Bernard Bayou Industrial Park, at or near Gulfport, in Harrison County, Miss. (the Line).

This transaction is related to a concurrently filed verified notice of exemption in *Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad LLC—Continuance in Control Exemption—Gulf & Ship Island Railroad LLC*, Docket No. FD 36420, in which Chicago Rock Island & Pacific LLC seeks to continue in control of GSIR upon GSIR’s becoming a Class III rail carrier.

GSIR states that it has reached an agreement with the County pursuant to which GSIR will lease the Line from the County and operate it. GSIR further states that the proposed transaction does not involve any provision or agreement that would limit GSIR’s future interchange of traffic on the Line with a third-party connecting carrier.

GSIR certifies that its projected annual revenues as a result of this transaction will not result in GSIR’s becoming a Class II or Class I rail carrier. GSIR further certifies that its projected annual revenue will not exceed \$5 million.

The transaction may be consummated on or after June 16, 2021, the effective date of the exemption (30 days after the verified notice was filed).

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than June 9, 2021 (at least seven days before the exemption becomes effective).

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 36519, should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-

filing on the Board’s website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on GSIR’s representative, Thomas F. McFarland, Thomas F. McFarland, P.C., 2230 Marston Lane, Flossmoor, IL 60422-1336.

According to GSIR, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b).

Board decisions and notices are available at [www.stb.gov](http://www.stb.gov).

Decided: May 27, 2021.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Brendetta Jones,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. FD 36472; Docket No. FD 36472 (Sub-No. 1); Docket No. FD 36472 (Sub-No. 2); Docket No. FD 36472 (Sub-No. 3); Docket No. FD 36472 (Sub-No. 4); Docket No. FD 36472 (Sub-No. 5); Docket No. AB 1312X]

**CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc., et al.—Control and Merger—Pan Am Systems, Inc., Pan Am Railways, Inc., Boston and Maine Corporation, Maine Central Railroad Company, Northern Railroad, Pan Am Southern LLC, Portland Terminal Company, Springfield Terminal Railway Company, Stony Brook Railroad Company, and Vermont & Massachusetts Railroad Company; Norfolk Southern Railway—Trackage Rights Exemption—CSX Transportation, Inc.; Norfolk Southern Railway—Trackage Rights Exemption—Providence & Worcester Railroad; Norfolk Southern Railway—Trackage Rights Exemption—Boston & Maine Corp.; Norfolk Southern Railway—Trackage Rights Exemption—Pan Am Southern LLC; Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad—Operation Exemption—Pan Am Southern LLC; SMS Rail Lines of New York, LLC—Discontinuance Exemption—in Albany County, N.Y.**

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board.

**ACTION:** Decision No. 3 in STB Finance Docket No. 36472 et al.; notice of rejection of application.

**SUMMARY:** The Board rejects as incomplete an application seeking approval for CSX Corporation (CSXC), CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), and 747 Merger Sub 2, Inc., to acquire control of seven rail carriers owned by Pan Am Systems, Inc. (Systems), and Pan Am Railways, Inc. (PAR), and to

<sup>34</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).